

YELLOWSTONE COUNTY



SENATE JUDICIARY

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Bill No. HB 281

ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR

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Representative Tom McGillvray,

Enclosed are letters of support for House Bill 281 from over 30 Clerk and Recorders/Election Administrators, 17 County Commissions and many election workers and election judges who worked on the November 2006 election and personally experienced how late registration on Election Day adversely affected the process.

It is interesting to see how ALL county election officials and a great many county commissioners support this issue. This covers all ranges in the political spectrum and demonstrates that it should not be seen as a partisan issue.

When the bill comes up in the Senate, I am sure that there will be a great number of people there in support of the bill. I also know that Sen. Cooney and the governor's office have stated that they will not allow the bill to pass. Without some change in late registration, there is going to be a train wreck in 2008. It is not a question of maybe, it is just a question of who is going to be involved in the wreck.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help you out. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Duane Winslow".

Duane Winslow, Election Administrator
Yellowstone County

COUNTY	CLERK OR E.A.	COMMISSIONERS	STAFF	ELECTION JUDGE
BIG HORN	YES			
BLAINE	YES	YES		
CARBON	YES	YES	YES	
CARTER	YES	YES		
CASCADE	YES	YES	4	
DAWSON	YES	YES		
FALLON	YES	YES	YES	
FERGUS	YES	YES		
GALLATIN	YES			
GARFIELD	YES	YES		
GRANITE	YES			
JEFFERSON	YES	YES		
LAKE	YES	YES		YES - 6
LIBERTY	YES	YES		
McCONE	YES			
MISSOULA	YES			
MUSSELSHELL	YES			
PARK	YES	YES	YES	
PETROLEUM	YES			
PHILLIPS	YES	YES		
PRAIRIE	YES	YES		
RAVALLI	YES			
RICHLAND	YES			
ROOSEVELT	YES			
ROSEBUD	YES			
SHERIDAN	YES			
STILLWATER	YES			
TETON	YES			
TOOLE	YES	YES	3	
TREASURE	YES	YES		
VALLEY	YES			
WHEATLAND	YES	YES		
YELLOWSTONE	YES	YES		